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&c. &c.

WITH A VARIETY OF

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AND

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## Part 9.

# P R E F A C E

## TO THE FIFTH EDITION.

### FIRST SERIES.

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THE past has a charm for Americans, as well as for the inhabitants of countries whose history extends far into the shadowy and unknown; *our* early and romantic past has the merit of being known and truly related; everything which adds to these truths is sought for with avidity by the curious and intelligent inquirer. We have now many autograph collectors, who may be viewed in the light of preservers of documents which would otherwise perish or be dispersed; to few, comparatively, are their treasures revealed. It was suggested, therefore, that a few of the most rare and curious "Historical and Literary Curiosities" in the possession of individuals, should be grouped for the amusement and instruction of the present and of future generations, who may well know from printed accounts *what* things were done, but who can also thus learn *how* they were done.

Nearly all the articles in the present collection have been taken by competent artists from the originals of which they purport to be fac-similes. Considerable labor and trouble have been expended in collecting together the varied materials here presented; but it has been with the Editors a "labor of love," rewarded by the pleasure of the pursuit.

The work having been received with extraordinary favor by the public, and a fifth edition being called for, some additions and alterations have been made, which will create increased interest in the volume.

J. JAY SMITH,  
JOHN F. WATSON.

\* \* Fully to understand the work, it is necessary, in turning over the pages, to have constant reference to the Table of Contents, where will be found many explanations for which space could not be found on the plates.

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### NOTE TO THE SIXTH EDITION.

Notwithstanding the announcement in the second series of this work that the first would not be reprinted, the public has demanded a sixth edition, which has been entirely redrawn, and many highly interesting additions have been made.

PHILADELPHIA, October, 1860.



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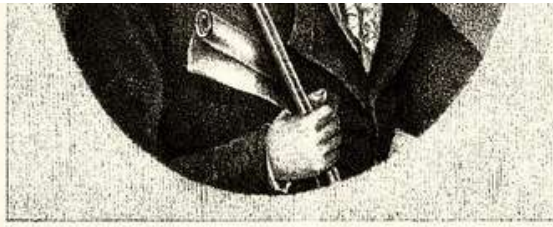




1804 \* \* \* I am most earnestly bent on pursuing my plan of making a Collection of all the Birds in this part of N<sup>o</sup> America. Now I don't want you to throw Cold water as Shakespeare says on this Notion Quixotic as it may appear I have been long accustomed to the building of Air Castles and brain Windmills that it has become one of my comforts of life a sort of a rough Bone that annoys me when Tated with the dull Dredgery of Life \* \*

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1812 \* My dear friend \* \* \* Unless there be an evident certainty of profits Booksellers are very indifferent to publish Works of any kind however great their merits may be; and the poor author's feelings are little regarded. Few men have known this more experimentally than myself. I have sacrificed every thing to Publish my Ornithology have written 6 volumes and am engaged on the seventh yet I have never yet received a single cent of its proceeds. I have made many extensive excursions lately, and have discovered in all, about 50 new species of land Birds, never taken notice of by any other writer. I am now engaged on the Water Birds and had just returned yesterday from the seashore when your letter was presented to me.

Yours sincerely *Wm Wilson*

Wm Wilson  
Author of the North American Sylva.

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Oath of Allegiance.

I DO hereby CERTIFY, That  
*Francis Hopkinson of the City of Philad Esquire*  
 hath voluntarily taken and subscribed the Oath of Af-  
 firmation of Allegiance and Fidelity, as directed by an  
 Act of General Assembly of Pennsylvania, passed the  
 13th day of June, A.D. 1777. Witness my hand  
 and seal, the first day of *July* A.D. *1777*  
*J. D. [Signature]*  
 (L.S.) *N. B. [Signature]*

A.D. 1777.

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25 March 1782

*fr*

A Detachment of  
 Twenty men, under Lt Col  
 Brester marched this day  
 for the Regiments, I suppose  
 they may return in three  
 days

I am a, *Yours* *Francis Marion*

Head Quarters Cont: Village Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 1781  
 7 o'clock PM

Dear fr,

Your Letter and inclosing copies of orders to  
 the Malitia I have Received for which I am  
 much obliged, and shall send them by  
 Express immediately -

I am Dear Sir  
 Yours truly  
*Israel Putnam*

*Enlarge*

# THE Pennsylvania GAZETTE.

*Containing the freshest Advices Foreign and Domestick.*

From Thursday, September 25. to Thursday, October 2. 1729.

**T**HE Pennsylvania Gazette being now to be carry'd on by other Hands, the Reader may expect some Account of the Method we design to proceed in.

Upon a View of Chambers's great Dictionaries, from whence were taken the Materials of the Universal Instructor in all Arts and Sciences, which usually made the First Part of this Paper, we find that besides their containing many Things abstruse or insignificant to us, it will probably be fifty Years before the Whole can be gone thro' in this Manner of Publication. There are likewise in those Books continual References from Things under one Letter of the Alphabet to those under another, which relate to the same Subject, and are necessary to explain and compleat it; these taken in their Turn may perhaps be Ten Years distant; and since it is likely that they who desire to acquaint themselves with any particular Art or Science, would gladly have the whole before them in a much less Time, we believe our Readers will not think such a Method of communicating Knowledge to be a proper One.

However, tho' we do not intend to continue the Publication of those Dictionaries in a regular Alphabetical Method, as has hitherto been done; yet as several Things exhibited from them in the Course of these Papers, have been entertaining to such of the Curious, who never had and cannot have the Advantage of good Libraries; and as there are many Things still behind, which being in this Manner made generally known, may perhaps become of considerable Use, by giving such Hints to the excellent natural Genius's of our Country, as may contribute either to the Improvement of our present Manufactures, or towards the Invention of new Ones; we propose from Time to Time to communicate such particular Parts as appear to be of the most general Consequence.

As to the Religious Courtship, Part of which has been retald to the Publick in these Papers, the Reader may be inform'd, that the whole Book will probably in a little Time be printed and bound up by it self; and those who approve of it, will doubtless be better pleas'd to have it entire, than in this broken interrupted Manner.

There are many who have long desired to see a good News-Paper in Pennsylvania; and we hope those Gentlemen who are able, will contribute towards the making This such. We ask Assistance, because we are fully sensible, that to publish a good News-Paper is not so easy an Undertaking as many People imagine it to be. The Author of a Gazette (in the Opinion of the Learned) ought to be qualified with an extensive Acquaintance with Languages, a great Easiness and Command of Writing and Relating Things cleanly and intelligibly, and in few Words; he should be able to speak of War both by Land and Sea; be well acquainted with Geography, with the History of the Time, with the several Interests of Princes and States, the Secrets of Courts, and the Manners and Customs of all Nations. Men thus accomplish'd are very rare in this remote Part of the World; and it would be well if the Writer of these Papers could make up among his Friends what is wanting in himself.

Upon the Whole, we may assure the Publick, that as far as the Encouragement we meet with will enable us, no Care and Pains shall be omitted, that may make the Pennsylvania Gazette as agreeable and useful an Entertainment as the Nature of the Thing will allow.

The Following is the last Message sent by his Excellency Governour Burnet, to the House of Representatives in Boston.

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives,

**I**T is not with so vain a Hope as to convince you, that I take the Trouble to answer your Messages, but, if possible, to open the Eyes of the deluded People whom you represent, and whom you are at so much Pains to keep in Ignorance of the true State of their Affairs. I need not go further for an undeniable Proof of this Endeavour to blind them, than your ordering the Letter of Messieurs Wilks and Belkber of the 7th of June last to your Speaker to be published. This Letter is said (in Page 1. of your Votes) to inclose a Copy of the Report of the Lords of the Committee of His Majesty's Privy Council, with his Majesty's Approbation and Order thereon in Council; Yet these Gentlemen had at the same time the unparallel'd Presumption to write to the Speaker in this Manner; You'll observe by the Conclusion, what is proposed to be the Consequence of your not complying with His Majesty's Instruction (the whole Matter to be laid





*laid before the Parliament) it is very unlikely ever to be the Case.*

That Conclusion which Her Majesty was pleas'd to take into Consideration, with the Advice of His Majesty's Privy Council to approve of, and to Order that One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State should receive the Plesure of the Crown thereupon, is, in the Opinion of these Gentlemen, *very unlikely ever to be the Case.* If this was a false and scandalous Suggestion in their Letter, it becomes a Libel when it is published; and you have Reason to fear the Lords and Commons of Great Britain, who have always supported and maintained the Honour and Dignity of the Crown against all that have treated it unworthily, will be highly offended at those who have published and dispersed such a Libel, in Order to turn away the Minds of this People from their dutiful Respect to the Crown, and make them hearken to the groundless Insinuations of *Francis Wilks* and *Jonathan Belcher* in contradiction to the Royal Word.

Your Message of the 30th of August is all drawn up with the same Design of concealing the Truth from the People, and putting every thing in such a Disguise as they cannot easily see through; To this Effect you say, *that the Settlement of the Civil List, which I refer to, is not a parallel Case with settling my Salary during my Administration, the Parliament of Great Britain make that Settlement upon our most Gracious King, whose Interest and that of his Posterity are inseparable from the People, which is not the Case with me.* You should have said, to make your Argument prove any thing, *Which is not the Case with His Majesty and this People*; For it is not I that demand a Salary, but His Majesty Himself; and it is not to me that it can be legally granted, but only to His Majesty for the Use of his Governour: And if you thought His Majesty's Interest as inseparable from the Interest of this People, as you allow it is *from the Interest of the People of Great Britain*, you must have owned that the Case was parallel with the Settlement of the Civil List: For though his Majesty demands the Salary during my Administration, yet that is a Term wholly in his own Breach; and what you mention, *that my private Interest is highly and apparently concerned in it*, is nothing to the Point, if you had that Confidence which you ought to have in His Majesty, that He will remove me when I deserve it.

*The Remainder of this Message, with the Assembly's last Reply, will be inserted in our next.*



## FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

*Stockholm, June 2.* The Talk is reviv'd that our King intends to go to Cassel, and from thence to Hanover, to confer with the King of Great Britain and several other Princes of the Empire.

*Hanover, June 14.* The Lord Townshend arrived here last Tuesday Night, and next Day all the Commanding Officers of the two Battalions of Foot Guards, to the Number of 42, arm'd and cloath'd like Common Soldiers, repair'd to the Square of the Castle before the King's Apartment, and perform'd an Exercise. In a few Days his Majesty intends to review 15 Regiments of his Guards, 19 Squadrons of Horse and Dragoons, and 12 Battalions of Foot.

*London, April 12.* By our Accounts from Cornwall, the Tin-men who were risen for Hunger, are dispers'd, and gone Home to mend their Kettles, which will be very useful to them, in Case they should get any Thing to eat.

*April 10.* Last Saturday a young Fellow was press'd as he was going to Church with his Bride to be married; the Bride begg'd hard to be married before they carried him off, but this being a religious Press-Gang they carry'd him off before Marriage, because they said it would be a Sin to part Man and Wife.

*London, June 26.* The last Letters from Hanover advise, that his Majesty continued in perfect Health; that there was a numerous Court; great Numbers of Persons of Distinction coming daily from several Courts in Europe; that the Lord Viscount Townshend kept an open Table; and that it was talk'd, his Majesty will not set out on his Return to Great-Britain, till some Time in October.

Yesterday about Five in the Morning, died at Kensington, (after a long Illness) aged 71 Years, and 9 Months, the most Noble Peregrine Osborne, Duke of Leeds, Marquis of Carmarthen, &c.

His Son, the Marquis of Carmarthen, is now Duke of Leeds.

They tell us from Holt in Wiltshire, that a Man aged 66, was married to a Maid of 26, without any Courtship of himself; the Match being made by another Person, on Wednesday the same Day it was propos'd; they were married on Thursday, and the Man died the Friday following. So that the Bride was courted, married, became a Wife, a Widow, and we presume was left a Maid, all within 24 Hours.

*June 28.* That destructive Liquor, Geneva, is to be sold no longer than Monday next, without paying 20 l. per Annum for a Licence, which 'tis hop'd few Distillers or Retailers will find worth their while to take out.

A poor Servant Maid at Bromly in Kent, having hang'd herself last Week, a Paper was found in her Pocket with these Words, *Geneva has been the Ruin of me.* But Geneva is now going down, and when any Thing else is in the like Condition, all its Villanies will come out, and no Body will be afraid to accuse it.

*From the Prints we received by this Post from Boston, dated Sept. 22.*

*Vienna, July 27.* N. S. Frequent Councils have been holden upon the Arrival of the several Expresses; and it is generally said, the Peace is as good as settled. Nevertheless our Letters from Paris insinuate, that the English Plenipotentiaries would not abate a Jot of their Pretensions, but insist more strenuously than ever upon the Point of Indemnification for the Losses sustained by the Merchants of their Country, thro' the Depredations committed by the Spaniards, more particularly in the West-Indies, by taking and confiscating their Ships, in Violation of the most solemn Treaties still subsisting between the two Crowns: But this the Spanish Plenipotentiaries wave with





with their utmost Industry, so that the Settlement of that Article may occasion abundance of Dispute.

*Paris, Aug. 3. N.S.* The Plenipotentiaries of the Congress of Soissons continue their Assemblies at Mr. Stanhope's at Picteau; and there now appears to be not the least Doubt remaining as to a speedy Accommodation with Spain, of which we daily expect to hear of the Conclusion.

*London, Aug. 7.* We are assured that a Messenger is arriv'd from Port St. Mary's, who brings Dispatches of the 19th inst. O. S. particularly the rough Draught of a Treaty for a Peace with Spain, as approved of by that Court; and we are informed that the said Draught, being approved by Her Majesty, has been sent by an Express to Hanover; and if the same meets with His Majesty's Approbation, proper Instruments will be sent for the Signing this Treaty on the Part of Great Britain.

We are informed, that the Treasure, &c. brought by the Gallions and Assogues Ships, are to be deliver'd out before the Flota sail from Cadiz, in order to encourage the Traders as well in New Spain, as in Europe.

The South Sea Company is by this Treaty forthwith to have a Schedule for sending a Ship to New Spain.

#### *Williamsburgh, August 29.*

Some time since, Six convicted Servants, viz. Four white Men, one white Woman, and one Mollatto Man, living with several Masters on *Rappahannock* River, combin'd together to run away, and accordingly stole a Boat, went down the River to the Bay, and proceeded to the Mouth of *York* River, where they met with an old Man and his Boy in a small Sloop, going to carry Corn from one Part of the Bay to another; they forc'd the Man and Boy to surrender the Sloop, and gave them the Boat which they had: Then they proceeded in the Sloop towards *New-York*; but by their Unskillfulness in Navigation, and contrary Winds, they were kept out so long that they were almost perisht with Hunger; at length they were met by Capt. Long, in His Majesty's Ship the ———. The Convicts told the Captain a formal Story, That they sail'd from *London* in a Ship bound for these Parts; but were unfortunately met with by Pirates, on this Coast, who took them and their Ship, stripp'd them of all, and turn'd them (poor Creatures) adrift in that little Sloop, &c. The Captain had Compassion on them, took them on Board, order'd them to be better cloth'd and fed, and so proceeded towards *Virginia*. Mean time, one the Man of War's Sailors, rummaging their little Sloop, found some Skrews and Rollers, who immediately inform'd the Captain of it, and told him that as those Things were used in no other Country than *Virginia* or *Maryland*, for rolling Tobacco, he believed those People were Run-aways from thence, and had impos'd Fals-hoods on him. The Captain thereupon order'd one of them (a young Man of a better Countenance than the rest) to be brought to him, who, upon Examination, confess'd the whole Story of their Running away and taking the poor old Man's Sloop from him. They were then secur'd, and when the Ship arriv'd in *Virginia*, were deliver'd up to Justice, committed to Prison, and were last Week try'd at this City, by a Court of Admiralty, were found guilty of Piracy, and all Six received Sentence of Death. His Honour the Governour, thro' his own Clemency and the Intercession of Captain Long, has been pleas'd to reprieve the young Man above mention'd, and one other: and the rest, viz., Two white Men, one White Woman, and a Mollatto Man, are to be executed in a few Days; and two of them hung in Chains, viz. one at *Rappahannock* River, near the

Place from whence they ran, and the other at *York River*, near the Place where they committed the Piracy. This Account we thought proper to publish, in hopes it may be a Means to deter Others from such wicked Courses, lest they should fall under the like unhappy Circumstances.

Our Crop of Tobacco in this Colony, is generally but very indifferent this Year.

*Annapolis, September 16.* Mr. Clifford Dancer, a Merchant, lately arriv'd from *Liverpool*, Mr. John Moll of *Newtown*, *Kern County*, and two Sailours, coming in a Long-Boat with Goods from *Chesler River*, for this City, were on Friday Sunnigh last overset in the Bay, by a violent Gust of Wind, and all drown'd. And one Mr. Hutton, Master of a Sloop in *Susquehanna River*, was lately drown'd.

The great Hopes the People of this Province had conceived, that a Paper Currency would be granted at this Time, are entirely quash'd; the Bill for emitting it not passing the Upper House.

#### *Custom-House, New-York, September 29.*

##### *Inward Entries.*

Brig Charm Peggy, Morgan Dunoven, from *Virginia*.  
Scho. Judith and Rebecca, J. Clarke from *Nantucket*.  
Sloop Mary, William Ellison from *Canis*.  
Brig Margaret and Mary, Geo. Frazer from *Rhode-Island*.

##### *Outward Entries.*

Sloop Endeavour, R. Robinson for *Lewis*.  
Sloop Rose, J. Travers for *Montserrat*.  
Brig. Daniel, Ob. Engs, for *Virginia*.  
Sloop Robie, A. Mathehalk, jun. for *Jamaica*.  
Brig. John, A. Bisset, for *Ditto*.  
Brig. Charming Peggy, M. Dunoven, *Ditto*.

##### *Cleared for Departure.*

Sloop Success, S. Huxford, for *New London*.  
Schoon Prince William, W. Smith to *Jamaica*.  
Sloop Prince Frederick, G. White, to *South Carolina*.  
Sloop Speedwell, A. Scrimethorn, to *Boston*.  
Sloop Mary, William Beckman, to *Ditto*.  
Sloop Rose, J. Travers, to *Montserrat*.  
Brig Daniel, O. Engs, to *Virginia*.

#### *Philadelphia, October 2.*

On Thursday last, one James Smith received Sentence of Death at our Supreme Court, for Burglary and Felony.

Yesterday being the Anniversary Election in this Province, the following Gentlemen were chosen for the ensuing Year, for *Philadelphia County*.

Assembly. John Swift, Job Goodson, Edward Herwe, William Monington, Jonathan Robinson, David Potts, John Cadwalader, and Thomas Katter.

Commissioners. Isaac Leach.

Assessors. John Pavlin, William Coker, Andrew Robinson, William Pifer, Ream Thomas, and James Bingham.

Sheriffs. Charles Read, and Nicholas Scull.

Coroners. Owen Owen, and Mirick Davie.

City-Burgesses. John Kearny, and Thomas Trefse.

City-Assessors. Thomas Nixon, Timothy Stevenson, William Chancellor, John Rutter, John Harrison, and Joseph Trotter.

We hear from *Chesler*, that the following Gentlemen were elected there, to serve in the Assembly, for that County, viz. Caleb Capeland, Richard Hayes, Joseph Britten, Thomas Chandler, William Webb, Samuel Gilpin, James James, and Joseph Penock.

We have not yet heard who are chosen for *Backs County*, and the *New County of Lancaster*.

Last Tuesday the Honourable Benedict Leonard Calvert, Esq. Governour of *Maryland*, having been here some Days on a Visit to our Honourable Governour, set out on his Return home.

Last Monday, one John Martin, a Brewer's Servant of this City, being about to put a Cask of Beer on board Capt. Ann's Ship, mis'd his Footing and fell into the River; and the Cask following him, and falling upon his Head, he was unfortunately drown'd.

We hear from *Amboy*, that all the Persons concerned with *Eamus* (the same that dy'd at Sea in his Passage from *Dublin* to this Place) in counterfeiting the 18 d. Bills of *New Jersey*, are apprehended and secur'd in their Prison. It is not found that any other of the *New Bills* are counterfeited.





terfeited but those of 18 d. And it is remarkable that all Attempts of this Kind upon the Paper Money of this and the neighbouring Provinces, have been detected and met with ill Success.

### Custom-House, Philadelphia, Entred Inwards.

Sloop Hope, Elias Naudain, from Boston.  
Sloop Dove, John Howel, from Antigua.  
Brigt. Penniwood, Thomas Braly, from Madera.

### Entred Outwards.

Scooner John, Thomas Wright, to Boston.  
Brigt. Richard and William, W. Mayle, for Lisbon.  
Ship Diligence, James Bayley, for Maryland.

### Cleared for Departure.

Ship London Hope, Thomas Annis, for London.  
Ship Jolin and Anna, James Sherley, for Plymouth.



## Advertisements.

**TO** be Sold by *Edward Shippen*, choice Hard Soap, very Reasonable.

**R**UN away on the 25th of September past, from *Rice Prichard* of *Whiteland* in *Chester County*, a Servant Man named *John Gresswell*, of a middle Stature and ruddy Countenance, his Hair inclining to Red: He had on when he went away, a little white short Wig, an old Hat, Druggert Waistcoat, the Body lined with Linnen; coarse Linnen Breeches, grey woollen Stockings, and round toe'd Shoes.

Whoever shall secure the said Servant so that his Master may have him again, shall have *Three Pounds* Reward, and reasonable Charges paid by

*Rice Prichard.*

**R**UN away on the 10th of September past, from *William Dewees* of *Germanstown Township*, in *Philadelphia County*, a Servant Man named *Melchizedek Arnold*, of a middle Stature, and reddish curled Hair: He had on when he went away, a good Felt Hat, a dark Cinnamon-colour'd Coat, black Druggert Jacket, mouse-colour'd druggert Breeches, grey Stockings, and new Shoes.

Whoever secures the said Runaway, so that his Master may have him again, shall have *Twenty Shillings* Reward, and reasonable Charges paid, by me

*William Dewees.*

*Lately Re-printed and Sold at the New Printing-Office near the Market.*

**THE PSALMS** of David, Imitated in the Language of the *New-Testament*, and apply'd to the Christian State and Worship. By *L. Watts*, V. D. M. The Seventh Edition.

N. B. This Work has met with such a general good Reception and Esteem among the Protestant Dissenters in Great Britain, &c. whether Presbyterians, Independents, or Baptists, that Six large Impressions before This have been sold off in a very short Time.

The chief Design of this excellent Performance (as the Author acquaints us in his Advertisement to the Reader) is "to improve Psalmody or Religious Singing, and to encourage and assist the frequent Practice of it in publick Assemblies and private Families with more Honour and Delight; yet the Reading of it may also entertain the Parlor and the Closet with devout Pleasures and holy Meditations. Therefore he would request his Readers, at proper Seasons, to peruse it thro'; and among 340 sacred Hymns they may find out several that suit their own Case and Temper, or the Circumstances of their Families or Friends; they may teach their Children such as are proper for their Age, and by treasuring them in their Memory they may be furnish'd for pious Retirement, or may entertain their Friends with holy Melody.

Philadelphia: Printed by *B. Franklin* and *H. Mersdub*, at the New Printing-Office near the Market, where Advertisements are taken in, and all Persons may be supplied with this Paper, at *Ten Shillings* a Year.

**L**ately Imported from *London*, by *John Le*, and are to be sold by him at the lowest Prices, either by Wholesale or Retail, at his Shop in *Market Street*, over against the *Presbyterian Meeting-House*, these Goods following, *viz.*

Callicoes, divers Sorts. Hollands, and several sorts of Sheeting Linnen. Several sorts of Dispers and Table-Cloths. Several sorts of Cambricks. Mantua Silks, and Grassetts Beryllan, and plain Callimanco. Tamie yard-wide. Men's dyed flammie Gloves. Women's *Ditto*. Lamb. Stitching Silk, Thread and Silk. Twist for Women. Silk and Ribbands. Double Thread Stockings. Men's white flammie Gloves. Silk Handkerchiefs, & other sorts of Handkerchiefs. Men's glaz'd Gloves, Topp'd. Men's Shoe-Buckles, Bath-metal. Masks for Women. Several sorts of Penknives. Plain metal Buttons for Men's Coats and Jackets. Ivory Case-Knives, and several sorts of Pocket Knives. Dowlassess several sorts. Huckabags, and Russia Linnen. Oxenburghs several sorts of Looking-Glasses. Gatlicks and brown Holland. Bag-Holland *Ditto*. Several sorts of Druggerts. Fine Kerseys. Superfine double mill'd Drab. Broad-Cloths, London Shalloons. Fine and coarse Hats. Men and Women's English Shoes. Stockings, several sorts, for Men, Women and Children. Several sorts of Caps. Women's Bonnets. Several sorts of Horn and Ivory Combs. Gun-powder, Shot, and Flints. Bibles of several sorts. Testaments, Pfalters and Primers. Large Paper Books, and small ones, with Pocket-Books, and other Stationary Ware. Several sorts of Chequer'd Linnen. Flannels and Duroys. Scots-Snuff.

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